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FM AMEMBASSY COTONOU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4958

INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AMEMBASSY LOME

AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

C O N F I D E N T I A L COTONOU 0348

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, DM IS

SUBJ: DAHO- ISRAELI RELATIONS

ISRAELI AMBASSADOR MORDECHAI DRORY REPORTS THAT HIS MARCH 5
MEETING

WITH MRGD FOREIGN MINISTER MICHEL ALLADAYE WAN REASSURING
REGARDING

DAHO- ISRAELI RELATIONS AND IN LINE WITH MODERATE OFFICIAL RE-
ACTION TO SHOOTING DOWN OF LIBYAN AIRCRAFT (COMMENTS ON RADIO AND
IN PRESS LIMITED TO FOREIGN REACTION; WHEN HE CALLED IN DRORY
AFTER INCIDENT FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY- GENERAL TOOK LOW- KEY
APPROACH SAYING ONLY THAT MRGD WAS TROUBLED (EMU)). ALLADAYE SAID
MAIN PURPOSE OF HIS VISITS TO CAIRO, TRIPOLI AND ALGIERS WAS TO
EXPLAIN MRGD OBJECTIVES, THAT MIDDLE EAST WAS NOT A MAJOR TOPIC,
AND THAT HIS HOSTS DID NOT ASK HIM TO TAKE POSITION AGAINST
ISRAEL. HE EXPRESSED DAHOMEY' S LONG FRIENDSHIP WITH ISRAEL AND
ADMIRATION FOR ITS REMARKABLE INTERNAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ACCEPTED
FOREIGN MINISTER EBAN' S INVITATION TO VISIT ISRAEL WHICH WAS
CONVEYED BY DRORY, AND CONFIRMED THAT MRGD STILL EXPECTING EBAN
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IN JUNE (COTONU 0189) AND SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF HIS VISITING
TEL AVIV IN MARCH OR APRIL.
ANDERSON

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